THE

SOUTH-CAROLINA GAZETTE,

Containing the freſheſt Advices, Foreign and Domeſtick.

MONDAY, June 4th, 1744. [Numb. 532]

FRIBURGH, March 12.

WE are very quiet here, and if the *French* are very buſy, in providing againſt the next Campaign in *Alſace*, we are not idle on our ſide They pretend, that their Army will conſiſt of 60 Battalions; but we have Reaſon to believe, that it will not exceed 40. There happened, laſt Thurſday Night, a very odd Adventure: The Wind blowing very high, carried away a Mill belonging to the Sieur *Pino*, a Tradeſman of this City, and blew it, with the Miller and his Boy in it, on the other ſide the River The poor Fellows expecting every Moment to be ſwallowed up, roared out heartily for Help, and the *French* taking it for granted, that our Pandours were paſſing the River, began to fire all their Artillery from Fort *Mortier*, and continued it all Night. Their Troops in the Iſland of *Reinach* were all under Arms, and thoſe quartered in the adjacent Villages marched in the midſt of the Storm down to the River Side, where they continued 'till Morning, when they had the Mortification of ſeeing their *Don Quixot* Expedition had brought down about 8000 Regular Troops againſt two Men and a Windmill; which, much againſt the Will of its Maſter, had given them all this Trouble.

Bruſſels, March 16. Three Hundred of the Huſſars that lately came from *Luxemburgh*, are to go to *Oudenarde*, and 200 to *Grammont* The Garriſon of *Mons* is alſo to be reinforced with a Captain and three other Officers of Artillery, 2 Bombardiers, and 80 Gunners, who are ordered to go thither from *Maeſtricht* with ſixteen Field Pieces, eſcorted by ſeventy Men. The laſt Letters from *Oſtend* import, that the Gates of *Dunkirk* are open'd again, that Leave is given to go in and out of the Town, and that they give out that there were only 24 or 25 Men drown'd out of the 11 Tranſports that were loſt there, and which were all Ships of three Maſts; but we are inform'd upon more narrowly examining into the Truth of this Affair, that the Number of Troops that were drown'd amount to above 2000. We have the more Reaſon to believe this, becauſe five others, beſides the above eleven Ships, were loſt within Sight of the Road of *Dunkirk*, out of which they cou'd not ſave one Man Some Advices mention alſo, a Billander, on board of which were two Companies of Swiſs, being caſt away. It's added, that theſe Diſaſters have oblig'd them to diſembark the Remainder of their Troops, together with their Ammunition and Proviſions. The Men were unable to conceal their Joy on this Occaſion, which was as viſible as their Reluctancy had been to go on board, ſeveral of them having been ſhot on that Occaſion, to prevent a general Mutiny. 'Tis generally reported, that theſe Troops will encamp near *Dunkirk* 'till further Orders.

Hague, March 21. It may be eaſily gueſſed what Diſpoſition the *Spaniards* are in, from the following Letter from an Officer on board one of the Ships, to his Brother, who is in M. *De* ——'s Service.

'*Barcelona Road, March* 1.

'*Brother*,

WE formerly thought *Gaſcony* one Province of *France*; at preſent we apprehend that *France* is a Province of *Gaſcony*, and its Inhabitants all Braggadocio's alike.

De Court was only afraid, before he ſail'd, that *Mathews* would not ſtay to be beat He ſaid this openly and often; talk'd of nothing but blowing him out of the Sea, or ſinking all his Ships; but when we met him at Sea, the Wind changed, M. *De Court's* fighting Stomach left him; and it was viſible he would not have exchang'd a Gun with *Mathews* if he could have avoided it; though that had been purchas'd by our going all to the Bottom: But the *Engliſh* would not ſuffer him to ſhew his Diſlike to fighting in its full Extent; tho' to do him Juſtice he ſhew'd it as far as he could.

Our Ship the *Neptune* was engag'd ſix ſeveral Times, without ever receiving the ſmalleſt Succour from the *French* Squadron. We are terribly maul'd in our Hull as well as Rigging; I believe we loſt threeſcore Men or more, and yet we are in a better ſtate than the Admiral, which we ſaw two Days ago in ſuch a Condition as to be ſcarce able to ſwim.

The *Engliſh* will do us the Juſtice to ſay, we behaved like *Spaniards*; but as for the *French*, I am ſure they will own they did nothing conſiderable, either to offend them, or defend us.

WHITEHALL, March 17.

THE following authentick Information concerning the Proceedings of the *French* at *Dunkirk*, from the 19th of *February* to the 1ſt of *March*, *O. S.* has been received.

THAT on Sunday the 19th of *February*, a conſiderable Number of Soldiers embarked on board Twenty Billanders and Twenty Fiſhing-Boats, then lying in the Harbour of *Dunkirk*, in order to be put on board the Tranſports in *Dunkirk* Road, amounting in the whole to about 4600 Men The Billanders being capable of receiving 150 Men each, and the Fiſhing boats, one with another, about 80 Men each. That the ſame Evening about 40 Carriages, with Cannon of different ſizes, Ammunition, &c. paſſed through the Town down to the Key, each Carriage being drawn by ſix Horſes. That the next Day ſeveral Pieces of Cannon were put on board a Tranſport ſhip in the Harbour of *Dunkirk*, and the ſame Day and the Day following, a great Quantity of Chevaux de Friſe was put on board another Tranſport ſhip in the Harbour. That on Tueſday the 21ſt, ſeveral *French* Officers were buſy, about exchanging the *French* Money for *Engliſh*, declaring they expected to be in *England* on the Friday or Saturday following at fartheſt. That on the ſame Day ſome of the Billanders and Fiſhing Boats went out of the Harbour. That four *French* Men of War and a Frigate came that Day, being the 21ſt of *February*, into *Dunkirk* Road. That on Wedneſday *February* 22, a great Number of Muskets, (ſaid to be 20,000) were put on board a Tranſport ſhip in the Harbour, which as ſeveral Officers ſaid, were intended for the *Engliſh* that ſhould join them; that a large Quantity of Bridles and Saddles were alſo embarked; that on Thurſday *February* 23, little was done, except ſhipping Water and Proviſions; that it was talked amongſt the Officers, that ſome *French* Men of War were gone towards the Weſt of *England*, in order to draw the *Engliſh* Fleet from the *Downs*, which if they could do, the Tranſports, with the Troops from *Dunkirk*, would then go up the *Thames*; but if the *Engliſh* Fleet remained in the *Downs*, the *French* Troops would then land either at *Dungeneſs* in *Kent*, or at *Pevenſy Bay* in *Suſſex*; that on Friday *February* 24, it being fine Weather, all the Billanders and Fiſhing boats, that had returned after the firſt Embarkation, into the Harbour, went out again with another Body of Troops, the greateſt part of which embarked on board the Billanders that Day, and immediately went out into the Road, and were all (except the Men who were on board Three Billanders and two Fiſhing boats) put on board the Tranſport ſhips in the Road: That the Number of Men that went out of the Harbour on Friday the 24th of *February*, was generally ſaid to amount to near 7000; and that it was reported, that the Embarkation was to conſiſt of 16,000 Men. That there were at that Time 32 or 33 Tranſports in *Dunkirk* Road, beſides thoſe in the Harbour, which were about five or ſix; all which were reckon'd to be of between 200 and 300 Ton. That on Saturday the 25th of *February*, there having

having been a violent Storm of Wind, towards Break of Day five Transport ships, a Dogger, and three Billanders, were driven on Shore on the Sands. That the Wind continuing high all that Day; and that several of the Ships in the Road fir'd Guns and put out Signals of Distress, but no Boats could go off to their Assistance. That on the same Day Three or Four *English* Vessels were taken up to carry Provisions, &c. to the Ships in the Road. That on Sunday the 26th and Monday the 27th, the Soldiers that came out of Transports, which had been driven on Shore, were encamped. That five or six hundred Soldiers were drowned; that two Billanders, with Soldiers, sunk, and all the Men were drowned. That on Tuesday the 28th, the Wind changed and blew very hard, and a large Transport Ship was driven on Shore, and several others made Signals of Distress. That a Fishing Boat was sent out to order them to come into the Harbour, but that the Weather continued so bad, that they did not attempt to come in 'till Thursday the 1st of *March*, when five Sail got safe into the Harbour, but two other very large Ships ran on Shore. The Count *de Saxe* had hired a House at *Dunkirk*; that Mr. *Ratcliffe*, called Earl of *Derwentwater*, was there with several other *English* Gentlemen, and that several Officers, said to be *Irish*, had entered as Volunteers to serve in this Expedition; and that the Pretender's eldest Son was reported to be at that Time at a Place eight or ten Miles up in the Country.

CHARLES-TOWN, *May* 29.

This Day the whole Commons House of Assembly of this Province, waited on the Governor at the Council Chamber, with the 17 following Acts, to which his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent, viz.

1. An ACT to appoint Persons to serve in Juries, pursuant to the Directions of an Act of the General Assembly passed the 20th Day of *August*, in the Year of our Lord 1731, entituled, *an Act confirming and establishing the ancient and approved Method of drawing Jurys by Ballot in this Province, and for the better Administration of Justice in Criminal Causes, and for appointing of special Courts for the Trial of the Causes of transient Persons, declaring the Power of the Provost-Marshal, for allowing the Proof of Deeds beyond the Seas as Evidence, and for repealing the several Acts of Assembly therein mentioned.*

2. An ACT for the more effectual Relief of insolvent Debtors, and, for that Purpose, putting in Force, and effectually carrying into Execution, such part of an Act (made in the Parliament of *Great-Britain* in the *second* Year of his present Majesty's Reign) entituled, *an Act for the Relief of Debtors with respect to the Imprisonment of their Persons*, as is therein after mentioned.

3. An ACT for the further preventing the spreading of contagious or malignant Distempers in this Province.

4. An ACT for the better governing and regulating white Servants, and to repeal a former Act, entituled, *an Act for the better governing and regulating white Servants.*

5. An ACT for the better securing the Payment, and more easy Recovery of Debts, due from any Person or Persons inhabiting, residing, or being beyond the Seas, or elsewhere without the Limits of this Province, by attaching the Moneys, Goods, Chattels, Debts and Books of Accompt of such Person or Persons, if any he, she or they shall have within this Province. And to impower and enable a *feme Covert*, that is, a sole Trader, to sue for and recover such Debts as shall be contracted with her as a sole Trader, and to subject such *feme Covert* to be arrested and sued, for any Debt contracted by her as a sole Trader.

6. An ACT for allowing the Plaintiff in Ejectment to bring more than one Action for the Recovery of any Lands or Tenements claimed within this Province. And for repealing the 4th Paragraph of an Act, entituled, *an Act for settling the Titles of the Inhabitants of this Province, to their Possessions in their Estates within the same* And for Limitation of Actions, and for avoiding Suits in Law.

7. An ACT for the further Improvement and encouraging the Produce of Silk and other Manufactures in this Province. And to repeal an Act of the General Assembly, entituled, *an Act to encourage the making of Hemp*, passed the 3d Day of *February*, 1723. And for repealing such part of an Act of the General Assembly, entituled, *an Act for the better regulating the Port and Harbour of* Charles-Town, *and the Shipping frequenting the same*, as is therein mentioned.

8. An *ACT* to remedy some Defects in his Majesty's Rent-Roll, and to enable the Officers of the Revenue, to make a more perfect Roll of his Majesty's Quit-Rents in this Province. And to discharge from the Payment of future Quit-Rents, all such Persons as upon transferring their Property shall enter Memorials of such Transfer in the Auditor's Office, pay the Quit-Rents due and comply with the other Directions of this Act.

9. An *ACT* for allowing mutual Debts to be discounted, and for explaining the 6th Paragraph of an Act, entituled, *an Act for making more effectual Wills and Testaments*, and for making valid all former Wills in this Province, according to the Tenor of the same, and for putting in Force several useful Matters herein comprised.

10. An *ACT* to encourage the destroying Beasts of Prey.

11. An *ACT* for confirming and establishing a publick Street, from the North Bounds of *Charles-Town*, to the North End of the Bay of the said Town. And for building a Bridge over the Marsh at the North End of the said Bay, and assessing the Lands and Improvements of the several Persons therein named towards defraying the Expence of the same.

12. An *ACT* for regulating the making of Dams or Banks for reserving Water, where the same may affect the Properties of other Persons.

13. An *ACT* for the raising and levying the Charges of conveying Malefactors and Offenders to Goal, and for defraying the Charges of Criminal Prosecutions, and for repealing the last Paragraph of an Act of the General Assembly of this Province, entituled, *an Act for authorizing the General Court in Charles-City and Port, to exercise several Powers and Priviledges allowed to the County and Precinct Courts in this Province, and some other Regulations.*

14. An ACT declaring *Dorchester* Bridge, *Bacon's* Bridge, *M'Cellums* Bridge, *Eagle's* Bridge, *Baker's* Bridge, and *Waring's* Bridge, in the Parish of *St George, Dorchester*, to be Parish Bridges. And appointing the Manner in which the same shall hereafter be kept in Repair. And for reviving and continuing an Act of the General Assembly of this Province, entituled, *an additional and explanatory Act, to an Act, entituled, an Act to impower the several Commissioners of High Roads, private Paths, Bridges, Creeks, Causeys, and cleansing of Water Passages in this Province of* South Carolina, *to alter and lay out the same for the more direct and better Conveniency of the Inhabitants thereof.*

15. An ACT for building a Bridge over the North Branch of *Black River*, opposite to the Landing of *John Wallis*, Esq; deceased, in the Parish of *Prince George, Winyaw*. And for building a Bridge between *Lady's Island* and *St Helena's Island*, in *Granville* County, from the Causeys already begun to be made over the Marshes on the said Islands.

16. An ACT impowering Commissioners to finish and continue certain Roads already laid out, for the Convenience of the Inhabitants residing between *Saltketcher* and *Pocotaligo* Rivers.

17. An ACT for raising and granting to his Majesty, the Sum of 51,205 Pounds, 12 Shillings, and 2 Pence 3 Farthings; and for applying the Sum of 3056 Pounds, 4 Shillings and 3 Pence (being the Surplus of several Taxes, and the Balance of several Funds in the Publick Treasury of this Province,) for defraying the Charges of the Government, for one Year, commencing the 25th Day of *March* in the Year of our Lord 1743. inclusive, and ending the 25th Day of *March*, 1744. exclusive.

After which the Commons House adjourn'd to the 2d Day of October *next.*

CHARLES-TOWN, *June* 4.

On Monday last arrived here from *Port-Royal* in this Province, Capt *John Graham* late of the Sloop *St. Andrew*, of *Jamaica*, who was taken in his Passage from *Boston* to that Place on the 27th of *March* last, in Lat. 13 & 45. and Long. 57 & 25 m. W. by a *Spanish* Privateer belonging to *St Domingo*, (after all the Opposition he could make, in which he lost one Man, and had several wounded) and afterwards carried into *Porto-Rico*. He was confin'd in *Porto Rico* 22 Days, when he, together with his Mate, one other Man, and a Negro, found Means to make his Escape, in a Long boat which he found fit for his Purpose, and design'd for *Jamaica*, but after having been 10 Days in the Boat, off Cape *Donna Maria* met his Majesty's Ship the *Scarborough*, who took up, and brought him, &c. to this Place. Capt. *Graham* informs us, that Captain *Grafton Deen*, (who commanded the Sloop *Dolphin* of this Port, and has above a Year since been given over for lost) was taken by the *Spaniards*; and that a Ship belonging to *Philadelphia*, (bound from *Barbados* to this Port) was taken the Day before himself, also a Sloop loaden with Melasses from *Anguilla*, of and for *New York*.

His Majesty's Ship the *Flamborough* sail'd on a Cruize last Thursday.

Last Wednesday it was reported, that an Express arriv'd in Town from *Frederica* in *Georgia*, (in its Way to the Northward) with Advice, that the *Spaniards* have made vast Preparations to invade *Georgia* this Summer, and that the Day fix'd for their Appearance off that Place is, the 10th Instant. 'Tis said, that this Intelligence was receiv'd by 4 *Spanish* Deserters from *St Augustine*.

The same Night, we had here a most terrible Storm of Lightning, Thunder, Hail, and Rain. The two preceding Days were excessive hot.

*** *The* LETTER *from a Gentleman in the Country to his Friend in* Charlestown *upon the Tax Bill, came too late to Hand, and was too long, to find a Place in this Paper; however, if possible, we shall present our Readers with it in our next.*

CUSTOM HOUSE, CHARLES-TOWN,

Entered Inwards.

Brigt. Rawleigh, Wm. Roch, fr Bristol.
Sloop Wm. Samuel Webber, fr. Antigua.

Cleared for Departure.

Ship Providence, John Parr, to Poole.
Snow Thistle, Hen Aitken, to N England.
Snow Samuel, John Vavasor, to Lisbon.

Exported from this Place from Nov. 1, 1743. to Nov. 1, 1744. 73,717 Barrels.

The PRICES of the following Goods, of the Produce of this Province.

Rice *per Cent.* 35 *sh.* 0
Pitch *per Barrel*, 45 *s.* 0
Tar, 32 *s.* 6 *d.*
Turpentine, 14 *sh.* 0.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

ON Monday, being the 25th Instant *June*, the Subscriber intends (God willing) to open SCHOOL in the Parish of *St. Thomas*, at the Place where Mr. *Robert How* formerly taught, being about Half a Mile from the Brick Church and *Twelve* from *Charles-Town*. The House erected for that Purpose, is a fine spacious Building, wherein an *Hundred* Children may be genteely accommodated: Those inclinable for boarding out their Children with me, may depend on the utmost Care and Diligence, by teaching them exactly and expeditiously *Reading*; *Writing*, in all the usual Hands; *Arithmetick*, in all its Parts; *Merchant's Accompts*, or, the *Italian* Method of *Book Keeping*, *&c.*

STEPHEN HARTLEY.

The House he now lives in, to be lett. *Enquire of Mr. Barnard Elliott or said Hartley.*

To be Sold,

ONE Barony, or 12,000 Acres of Land, Quit Rent free for ever, lying on *Savannah River*, near the *Palachokolas*, in this Province, and formerly belonging to the late *John Braithwaite*, Esq; deceased. Whoever may be disposed to purchase the same, may treat with the Subscriber at *Charles Town*.

Alexander Garden.

Stray'd or stolen from Charles-Town, a Bay Horse, about 13 Hands and an half high, branded P M on the off Shoulder, and has some other Mark on one of his Buttocks (which at present I can't remember.) Whoever brings me the said Horse, or can give me Notice where he may be found, shall have 40 *sh.* reward.

Isaac Mazyck.

Stray'd out of the Pasture of Thomas Broughton, Esq; at *Goose Creek*, a bright Bay Mare, with a large Star and Snip, branded on the Hip I G. Whoever brings the said Mare to *William Ellis* Butcher, in *Charles Town*, or to *William Nelm* shall have 3 *l* reward.

Run away from Mrs. Jane Lapay, about 4 or 5 Months ago, a Negro Girl named *Pots*, about 18 Years of Age. Whoever takes up and brings the said Girl to her said Mistress, shall have 10 *l* reward.

N B Whoever harbours or entertains the said Girl, must expect to be prosecuted according to Law.

Run away, from Elizabeth Grove, an *Angola* Negro Woman named *Venus*, her Teeth fil'd, full ey'd, and of a middle Age, speaks good *English*. Whoever takes up and brings the said Negro Woman to Mr *Daniel Thomas*, Schoolmaster in *Charlestown*, or to *John Rice*, Constable, shall have 40 *sh.* reward, and if taken up in the Country, the reasonable Charges.

Stolen or Stray'd out of my Plantation on *Charles Town* Neck, in *January* last, a young Sorrel Stone Horse, 4 or 5 Years old, about 13 Hands and an Half high, without a Brand, having a light colour'd Maine and Tail. And in the Month of *April* last, a Bay Stone Horse Colt, entering upon two Years old last Grass, with a long Switch Tail, without a Brand. Whoever takes up the said Horses and brings them to me, shall have five Pounds reward for each, paid by

Charles Pinckney.

On Tuesday the 19th Instant at Mr *Shrine's* Ferry at *Santee*, will be sold at publick Vendue, by the Subscriber, a choice parcel of Plantation and other Slaves, among them are Coopers, Carpenters and Sawyers. The Condition of the Sale is, paying one half on the 1st of *January*, 1745 6, paying Interest from the Day of Sale, and giving such Security as shall be approved of by *Paul Bremar*.